

## **Caltrain Maintenance Facility Oversight Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, June 26, 2002**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Members present: Kay Gutknecht  
Jonathan Noble (Councilmember Chavez' Office)  
Rick Crosetti (Councilmember Yeager's Office)

Staff Present: Cathi Zammit – Caltrain JPB  
Frank Sharpless – VTA  
Ben Tripousis – City of San Jose DOT

The meeting was called to order at: 6:12 p.m. and the meeting was organized as a Committee of the Whole.

- **Traffic Calming:** Deputy Director Harry Freitas spoke on behalf of DOT operations regarding traffic calming issues surrounding the maintenance facility. Harry also discussed the potential impacts of closing the Stockton Ave. Crossing. City could consider leveraging other regional dollars that could possibly go toward funding the closure of the Stockton crossing. Stockton Ave. is designated as a major collector arterial intended to carry inter-neighborhood traffic. Stockton is not a critical collector because it does not cross I-880. Traffic is mostly generated by concrete truck traffic. Traffic is likely to change on Stockton once the Coleman/880 Interchange project has been completed. If Stockton was to be closed it would require invasive traffic calming remedies, including other closures and diverters. Impacts of the closure would require a full Environmental Impact Report and attempt to address future traffic and circulation issues. It was suggested that a group of stakeholders be brought together to help determine what the character of the surrounding neighborhood should be. As an example, median island development in the area appears to be a good potential improvement in the neighborhood. Committee was also interested in reviewing the possibility of developing an undercrossing at the rail line. Committee would like to establish an action plan on next steps at Stockton. Draft plan to be developed

provide regular updates. Construction of the relocation project is expected to begin in early 2003. 30% design process for CEMOF has begun. 30% design due to be completed by January '03. A 30 day review period for comment would follow. JPB Staff will be prepared to comment on soundwall type and structure in early August. JPB would like a meeting in early August so that there is no delay in the design process. JPB looking to establish an 800 number to receive community complaints regarding the project. JPB staff also recommended an October '02 and a January '03 meeting to discuss the status of the 30% design. As a result, Chair Gutknecht recommended that the Committee cancel the September Committee meeting in order to accommodate the JPB schedule.

- **Comments on Specifications:** Addressed by JPB staff.
- **Project Funding Status Report:** Due to a current shortfall in project revenues JPB Staff has recommended that the project elements be phased in order to allow time to secure the necessary funds to construct the facility. JPB staff does not expect that the current shortfall will impact the eventual construction of the CEMOF Project.
- **Stockton Closure:** Staff recommends meeting with Central Concrete to determine potential impacts of Stockton closure. Community feels that closure would increase neighborhood traffic.
- **Reporting Formats:** Chair Gutknecht recommended that the attached reporting format be used to regularly report Committee activities to the community. It was also recommended that the reports be posted on all the appropriate City and neighborhood association web sites. Rick Crosetti and Chair Gutknecht will work together to determine the appropriate venues for distributing the information. It was determined that the meeting minutes would serve as the basic means of communication which would include a brief Executive Summary to outline major discussion points and next steps. Summary should also include next meetings and future agendas. May also want to include key upcoming milestones.

• **Other Business:**